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TAGS: SREF, RW (ALEXANDRE KIMENYI)

SUBJECT: RWANDAN ASYLUM SEEKER

REF: (A) 74 STATE 41701; (B) 74 KIGALI 120

1. DEPT. HAS RECENTLY RECEIVED LETTER FROM U.S. UNHCR REP. DAYAL WHO EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER DESIRE OF USG TO DEPORT KIMENYI TO RWANDA. HE BELIEVES KIMENYI'S FEAR OF PERSECUTION UPON RETURN TO RWANDA MAY BE "WELL-FOUNDED".

2. FYI KIMENYI CASE IS ONE OF LONG STANDING. INS HAD REQUESTED DEPT.'S RECOMMENDATION REGARDING KIMENYI'S CLAIM OF FEAR OF PERSECUTION UPON RETURN. HE BELIEVES THAT AS A RESULT OF THE 1972-73 MASSACRES IN BURUNDI AND RWANDA, HE WOULD BE LIABLE TO PERSECUTION UPON RETURN TO RWANDA BECAUSE HE IS A TUTSI. KIMENYI ENTERED U.S. IN 1971 ON A STUDENT VISA FOR GRADUATE STUDY - TEACHING ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (TEFL) AT UCLA. RWANDAN OFFICIALS HAD ENDORSED HIS COURSE OF STUDY PROVIDED HE RETURN AS SOON AS  
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POSSIBLE. PER REFTEL B, WE HAD RECOMMENDED DENIAL OF HIS

ASYLUM REQUEST. A FELLOW STUDENT, JUSTIN NSABIMANA, ALSO A TUTSI WHO WAS AFFILIATED WITH TEFL PROGRAM, RETURNED IN 1974 WITHOUT EXPERIENCING ANY APPARENT DIFFICULTIES.

KIMENYI HAS ATTEMPTED VARIOUS METHODS OF REMAINING IN U.S. END FYI.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S CURRENT ASSESSMENT OF POSSIBLE ACTION GOV OF RWANDA IS LIKELY TO TAKE AGAINST HIM AND WHETHER OR NOT HIS FEAR OF PERSECUTION IS A WELL-FOUNDED ONE. AN INTERVIEW WITH NSABIMANA REGARDING HIS CURRENT SITUATION AND RELATIONSHIP WITH GOR MAY BE HELPFUL WHEN RESPONDING TO UNHCR REP. DAYAL. KISSINGER

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